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Body And A Retaining Element And Method For Producing The
Assembly

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

United States Patent No. 4,795,615 (Cyron et al.), dated January 3, 1989;

German Patent DE 38 29 668 C2 (Wissmann et al.), dated December 15, 1994, exhaust gas muffler for a two-stroke engine in a tool that can be carried;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 27 46 475 A1 (Öser), dated April 19, 1979, assembly for supporting a monolithic carrier body of a catalytic converter assembly;

European Patent EP 0 470 113 B1 (Wieres), dated February 10, 1993, metallic catalytic converter carrier body fastened to a separating wall;

French Patent Application No. 2 444 793 (Nonnenmann et al.), dated July 18, 1980, cleaning cartridge for exhaust gas;

International Patent Application WO 94/18441 (Bestenreiner et al.), dated August 18, 1994;

International Patent Application WO 96/02741 (Karlsson), dated February 1, 1996.

If no translation of pertinent portions of any foreign language patents or publications mentioned above is included with the aforementioned copies of those applications,

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Respectfully submitted,



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